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Title : Compression-Ignition Internal Combustion Engine

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper. (A substitute specification with marked up version submitted concurrently herewith).

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 3 of this paper. (A substitute Abstract with marked up version submitted concurrently herewith).

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.